#### Comparison of Bed Standards

Federal Standards
New York State Standards
Durable Bed Solutions Standards

#### Potential Hazards of Beds

Hazards That Exist in Both Hospital Beds and Twin Beds with or without Bed Rails

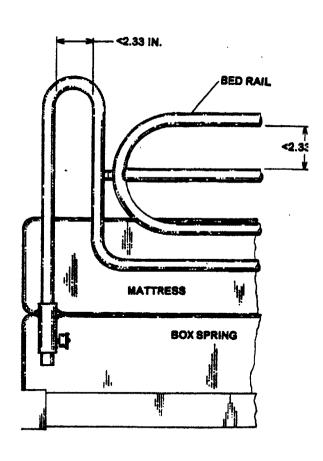
#### Who Are Those at Risk?

- Type of Patients at risk of injury or death in Hospital and Twin Beds
  - Frail
  - Elderly
  - Confused
  - Uncontrolled body movement

### Seven Potential Entrapment Areas

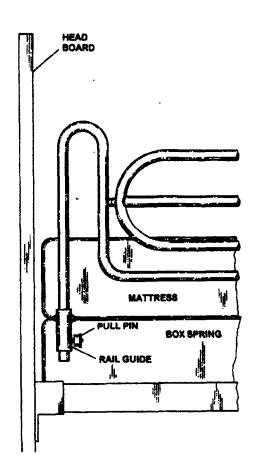
- 1. Entrapment between bars of bed rails
- 2. Entrapment between bottom bar of rail and top of mattress
- 2 3. Entrapment horizontally between bed rail and mattress
- 4. Entrapment under end of bed rail
- 5. Entrapment between split rails
- 6. Entrapment between end of rail and head or foot board
- 7. Entrapment between end of mattress and head
  or foot board

# Entrapment Between Bars of Bed Rails



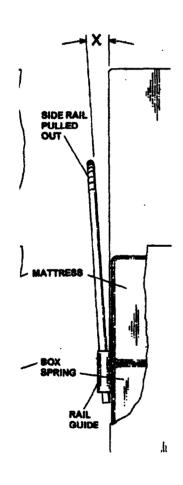
- Maximum Opening
- Federal Standards is 4 3/4"
- NYS Standards is 2 1/3"
- Durable Bed Solutions Standards 2 1/4" or less

# Entrapment Between Bottom Bar of Rail and Top of Mattress



- Maximum Opening
- Federal Standards 4 3/4"
- NYS Standards is bottom bar overlaps mattress
- Durable Bed Solutions Standards is bottom bar overlaps mattress (Recommend the use of see thru shields for total mattress coverage)

### Entrapment Horizontally Between Bed Rail and Mattress



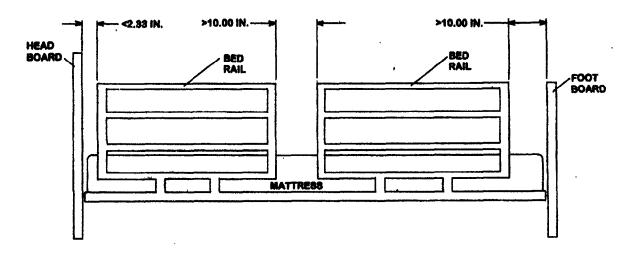
- Maximum Opening
- Federal Standards 4 3/4"
- NYS Standards is 3/4"
- Durable Bed Solutions Standards is 1/4"

#### Entrapment Under End of Bed Rail



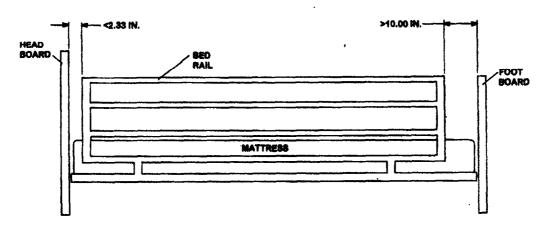
- Maximum Opening
- Federal Standards less than 2 1/3"
- NYS Standards is less than ¾"
- Durable Bed Solutions
  Standards is is less than 1/4"

#### Entrapment Between Split Rails



- Maximum Opening
- No Federal Standards
- NYS Standards is 2 1/3"
- Durable Bed Solutions Standards 2 1/4" or less. (Don't recommend split rails)

# Entrapment Between End of Rail and Head or Foot Board



- Maximum Opening
- No Federal Standards
- NYS Standards is less than 2 1/3" or greater than 10"
- Durable Bed Solutions Standards is is less than 2 1/3" or greater than 10"

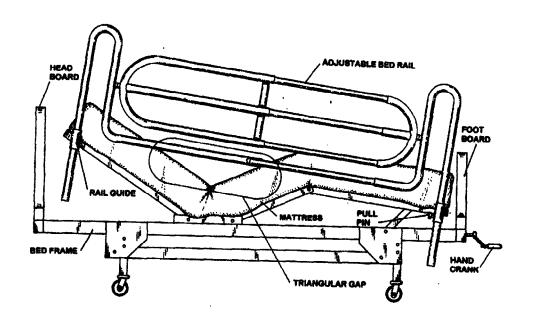
### Entrapment Between End of Mattress and Head or Foot Board

- Maximum Opening
- No Federal Standards
- NYS Standards are
   Twin bed <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>"

   Hospital bed less than 3"
- Durable Bed Solutions
  Standards are all beds less
  than 3/4"

### Hospital Bed Triangular Gap Danger Zone

• The Federal Standards do not mention this zone as a potential hazard



# NYS and Durable Bed Solutions Standards

#### New York State Standards

- ➤ Have a Custom Plastic Shield made
- ➤ Raise the head of bed no higher than needed
- Lower side rail at head of bed
- ➤ Use split rails
- > Use half rails
- ➤ Use bed were head of bed elevates independently of bed rail

### Durable Bed Solutions Standards

➤ Use Patented See-Thru side Shields